GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3067
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LIFTING OF BAN BY PAKISTAN ON IMPORT ON TEXTILE MACHINERY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan Commerce Minister in his last visit to New Delhi in August, 2001 had stated that ban on import of textile machinery would be lifted soon;

(b) whether the ban has since been lifted by Pakistan; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the exports are likely to go up as a result thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (c) : Pakistan`s Minister of Commerce and Industries had visited India on August 23-25, 2001 to participate in SAARC Ministerial Meeting. After his visit reports had appeared in Pakistan`s print media that the Minister had indicated that Pakistan might soon lift the ban on import of textile machinery from India. No official notification has, however, been issued by Pakistan to include textile machinery in the list of items allowed to be imported from India.